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Title: Method, Apparatus and System for Maintaining Connections Between  
Computers Using Connection-Oriented Protocols

**AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO MARCH 2, 2005 OFFICE ACTION**

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Sir:

This paper is submitted in conjunction with a Request for Continued Examination pursuant to 37 CFR § 1.114.

In response to the Office Action dated March 2, 2005, please amend the application as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the "Listing of Claims" beginning on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 5 of this paper.